

VITAL EVENTS HIGHLIGHTS

- Registration of Kansas vital events (live births, deaths, fetal deaths, marriages, and marriage dissolutions) decreased 4.8 percent from 96,583 in 1986 to 91,927 in 1996. (Table 1, Figure 2)
- Between 1986 and 1996, the most significant changes in vital events were a 60.5 percent increase in the out-of-wedlock birth ratio and a 19.7 percent decrease in the fetal death rate. (Table 1)
- The number of out-of-wedlock births to Kansas residents reached a record high in 1996 at 9,798. This represented 26.8 percent of all Kansas resident births, which is the highest proportion ever reported. (Table 1)
- The live birth rate in 1996 (14.2) decreased 10.7 percent from the 1986 rate of 15.9. The death rate increased 2.2 percent, from 9.0 in 1986 to 9.2 in 1996. The marriage rate in 1996 decreased 13.0 percent, from 9.2 in 1986 to 8.0 in 1996. The marriage dissolution rate decreased 16.0 percent during this time period, from 5.0 to 4.2. (Table 1, Figure 3)
- The birth rate (14.2) for Kansas residents in 1996 decreased for the sixth consecutive year and is the lowest on record (dating from 1935). (Table 1, Figure 3)
- Fetal, perinatal and infant death rates decreased from 1986-1996, with percentage decreases of 19.7, 8.0 and 4.7, respectively. Neonatal and hebdomadal death rates increased by 12.5 and 10.3 percent respectively, during this time period. (Table 1, Figure 3)
- In 1996, the number of couples married in Kansas declined as it has since 1992 and the number of marriage dissolutions (divorces and annulments) granted in the state also declined as it has since 1991. (Table 1)
- Almost half (10,133) of the marriages in 1996 were first marriages for both the bride and groom. (Figure 2)

EVERY DAY DURING 1996*

Each day Kansas residents
experienced approximately....

- 100 Live births
- 27 Out of wedlock
live births
- 1 Infant death
- 1 Fetal death
- 20 Heart disease deaths
- 15 Cancer deaths
- 5 Cerebrovascular disease deaths
- 3 Chronic obstructive pulmonary
disease deaths
- 3 Accidental deaths
- 2 Pneumonia and influenza deaths

Each day in Kansas there
occurred approximately....

- 57 Marriages
- 30 Marriage dissolutions
- and
- 30 Abortions

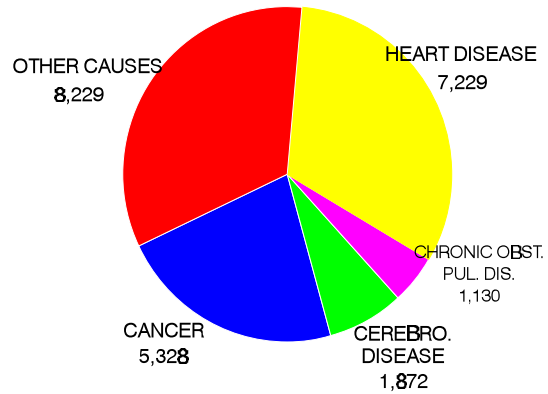
*BASED ON 365 DAYS IN 1996

Figure 1

KANSAS VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1996

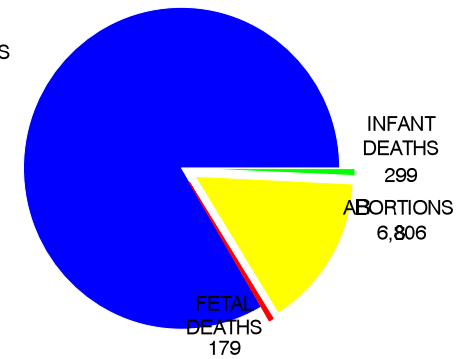
DEATHS*

TOTAL: 23,788



PREGNANCY OUTCOMES*

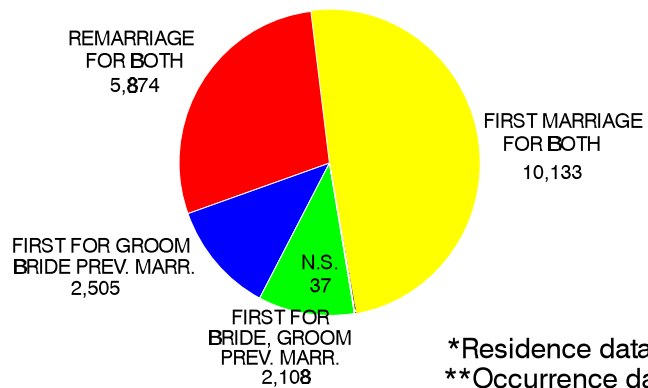
LIVE BIRTHS
36,524



2,572,150
KANSANS

MARRIAGES** BY MARRIAGE ORDER

TOTAL: 20,657



*Residence data
**Occurrence data

MARRIAGE DISSOLUTIONS** BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE

TOTAL: 10,779

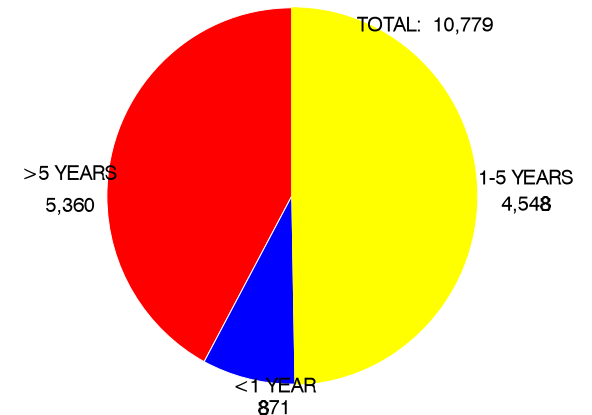


Figure 2

TABLE 1
SELECTED VITAL EVENT RATES AND RATIOS
KANSAS, 1986-1996

Vital Event	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Live Births											
Number.....	39,177	38,435	38,718	38,648	38,872	37,630	37,848	37,283	37,269	37,087	36,524
Rate.....	15.9	15.5	15.5	15.4	15.7	15.1	15.0	14.7	14.6	14.5	14.2
Out-of-Wedlock Births											
Number.....	6,549	6,558	6,969	7,624	8,337	8,713	9,183	9,599	9,653	9,594	9,798
Ratio.....	16.7	17.1	18.0	19.7	21.4	23.2	24.3	25.7	25.9	25.9	26.8
Fetal Deaths											
Number.....	242	253	236	240	217	205	216	222	231	183	179
Rate.....	6.1	6.5	6.1	6.2	5.6	5.4	5.7	5.9	6.2	4.9	4.9
Hebdomadal Deaths											
Number.....	153	179	161	138	162	158	165	171	140	134	157
Rate.....	3.9	4.7	4.2	3.6	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.6	3.8	3.6	4.3
Perinatal Period III Deaths											
Number.....	395	432	397	378	379	363	381	393	371	317	336
Rate.....	10.0	11.2	10.2	9.7	9.7	9.6	10.0	10.5	9.9	8.5	9.2
Neonatal Deaths											
Number.....	190	208	186	179	196	191	199	201	177	166	199
Rate.....	4.8	5.4	4.8	4.6	5.0	5.1	5.3	5.4	4.7	4.5	5.4
Infant Deaths											
Number.....	337	353	304	339	325	337	332	325	285	256	299
Rate.....	8.6	9.2	7.9	8.8	8.4	9.0	8.8	8.7	7.6	6.9	8.2
Maternal Deaths											
Number.....	1	1	4	3	5	1	2	3	2	2	2
Rate.....	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.8	1.3	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5
Deaths											
Number.....	22,133	21,995	22,889	22,082	22,173	22,363	22,052	23,508	23,219	23,807	23,788
Rate.....	9.0	8.9	9.2	8.8	8.9	9.0	8.7	9.3	9.1	9.3	9.2
Marriages											
Number.....	22,667	22,220	22,705	22,214	22,720	21,786	21,845	21,527	21,524	21,057	20,657
Rate.....	9.2	9.0	9.1	8.8	9.2	8.7	8.7	8.5	8.4	8.2	8.0
Divorces and Annulments											
Number.....	12,364	12,218	12,475	12,296	12,580	12,590	12,365	12,068	11,659	11,029	10,779
Rate.....	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.6	4.3	4.2

Residence data are presented for births and deaths

Occurrence data are presented for marriages, divorces and annulments

SELECTED VITAL EVENT RATES

KANSAS, 1986-1996

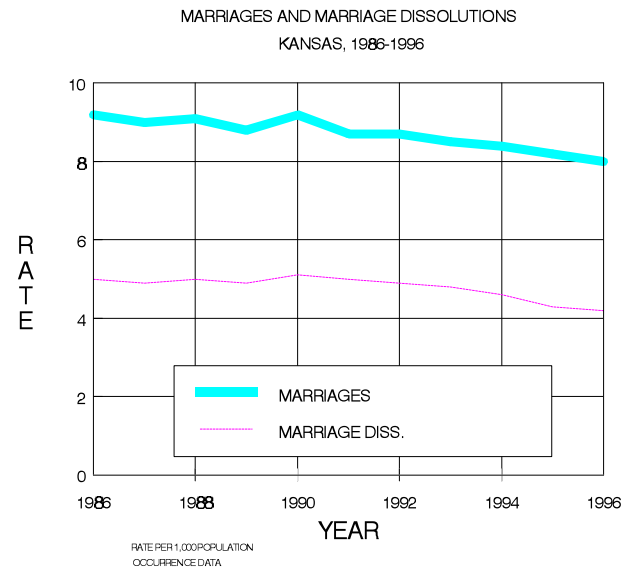
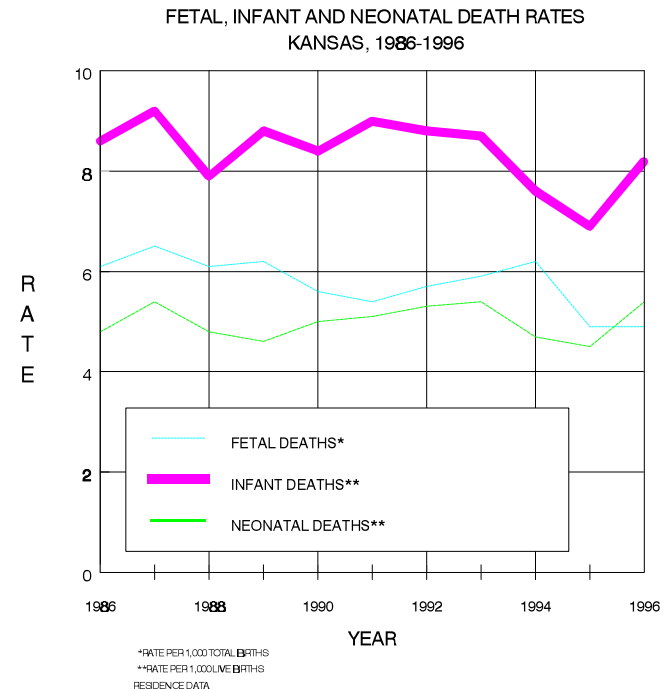
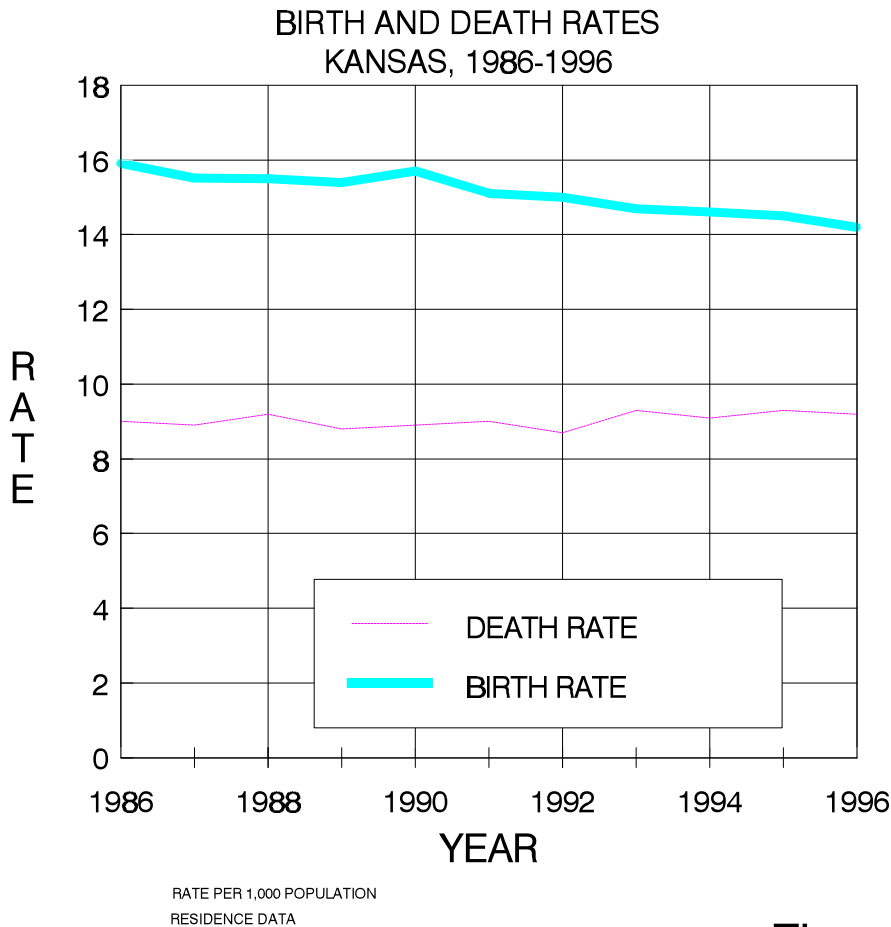


Figure 3